



the wooden roller from his bed and in a calm voice told the gathering outside his door that he knew that the door was nailed and that they could break in but that he would kill the first one who came in. There were no volunteers to be first. The next morning, upon leaving the hotel, a mob with ropes surrounded him. He felt his time to die had come and asked to speak a few last words.

I had one little wish to impress upon their minds, and that was that some of them had to die in the operation and I did not wish to kill any man that had a drop of honest blood in him; if there were any such men I begged them to withdraw and let the worst hounds they had remain to do the deed, as I should certainly kill three or four.¹⁸

The members of the mob suddenly felt very honest and withdrew.

William Wall was appointed Marshall of Provo and Utah County Sheriff shortly after his return, and because of the presence of the United States Army under General Johnston and the resultant friction between Mormons and anti-Mormons his time in office was seldom dull. Illustrative of this is the casual reference in the *Deseret News* of January 6, 1859, that last Friday evening when W. M. Wall, Marshall of Provo, was walking through the streets of that city a ball was shot through his hat and grazed his head and knocked him down.

He had many experiences dealing with the Indians which later proved invaluable to the people of Wasatch County. His ranch in the mouth of Provo Canyon was among the first settlements in the Provo Valley. He served as the first presiding elder of the valley and was

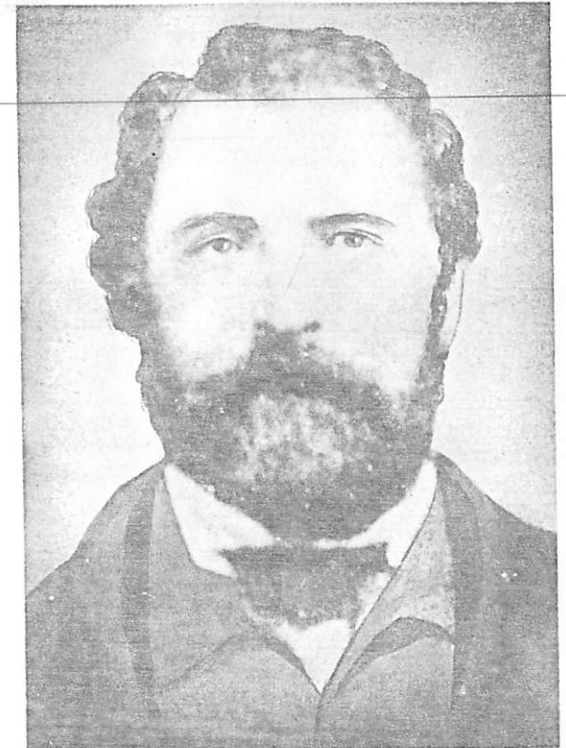
¹⁸*Ibid.*

later called upon when the people experienced the Indian troubles.

The success that the people had in dealing with the Indians was in no small measure due to the courage of leaders like William M. Wall.

William Wall
and his five wives,
Nancy, Erma,
Elizabeth, Suzie,
and Sarah

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A brief account of the military leader, William Madison Wall, will illustrate the courageous leadership available to the Wasatch pioneers in meeting the Indian threat. He was the son of Isaac and Nancy Wall, born September 30, 1821, in Rottenham County, North Carolina. He joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1842, and when the saints left Nauvoo, Illinois, on their westward march he accompanied them. He assisted in organizing the Mormon Battalion, and in 1850 he crossed the plains in the seventh pioneer company as a captain of fifty.¹⁶ He settled in Provo, Utah, and was bishop of the Provo Fourth Ward there from 1852 to 1854. In 1856 the Church called him for a mission to Australia, where he served as President of the New South Wales Conference until June of 1857.¹⁷

His return from Australia in charge of a company of Mormon immigrants serves to illustrate Wall's courage and tenacity. Upon arriving in California he found much animosity. An immigrant train for California had been massacred at Mountain Meadows, in southern Utah, and feeling against the Mormon people was running high. During the night various groups of angered citizens sought his life even though he had just that day arrived by ship in San Pedro. Twice they threatened to break into his hotel room to kill him. Being unarmed, he tore

¹⁶*Ibid.*

¹⁶"Biographical papers of Andrew Jenson," (L. D. S. Church Historian's Office, Salt Lake City, 1916).

¹⁷*Journal History*, December 12, 1857. p 51 2425

Joseph S
McDonald
Project

Peace maker Joseph Smith Mc Donald Plans Ahead on:

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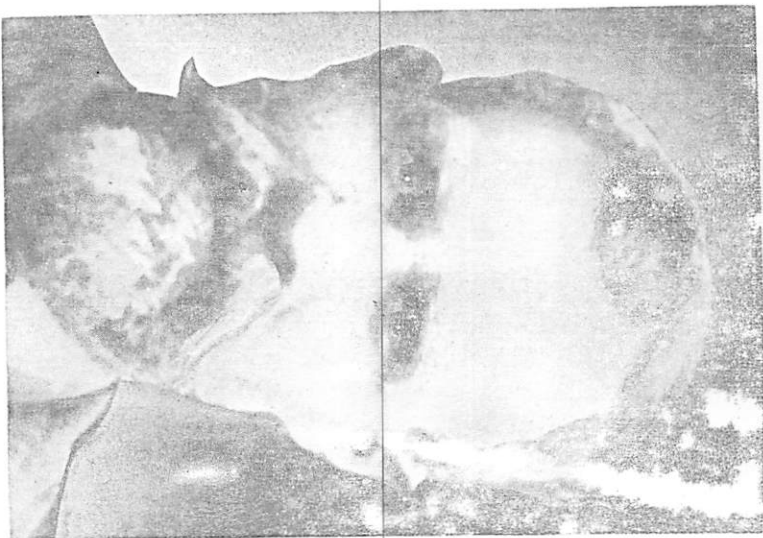
1. Obtain picture from "Under Watch Shies" 5th Sep 88
2. Obtain dos S McDonald history from Fern D. Prescott Oct 88
3. Interview Ruby McDonald Oaks Canyon
4. " Barbara " Newton
5. " Mrs Fern Darrell Prescott
6. Copy of Joe S McDonald history from 1989
7. Give Mc D. a search Jerguend BK (Prescott)
8. Make map of location of Joe S McD. home 15 June 89
9. Get friends of Joe S. Mc Donald Summer 1989
10. Find pictures of those names
11. History + part of Joe S. Mc Donald 8-22-89
12. Find 2 pictures
13. Find 2 7655 of Joe S. Mc Donald 8-22-89

JOSEPH S. AND MARY
ELIZABETH RASBAND
McDONALD

Joseph S. McDonald was born at Heber January 30, 1868, son of John McDonald and Lucinda Cole McDonald. He married Mary Elizabeth Rasband on January 30, 1890, the marriage being later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple. One child, a son, Storm McDonald, was born to them. Joseph spent his entire life in Heber Valley, except for a year or two at Park City, where he worked at the Ontario mine. He was a farmer and cattle raiser. He died at Heber on May 7, 1937.
Mary Elizabeth Rasband was born September 15, 1865, at Heber, to Thomas and Elizabeth Giles Rasband. She was educated in the Heber schools and for a time taught school in Heber. She served many years as president of East Ward Primary. This was under Bishop Robert S. Duke. She was a member during her active life of the Heber Shakespearean Club. She was noted locally as an excellent cook and particularly for her lemon pies. She was known also as a spotless housekeeper. Her husband accused her often of going outside and scrubbing the woodpile. She died on May 19, 1953. 420

He is not
the Peace maker

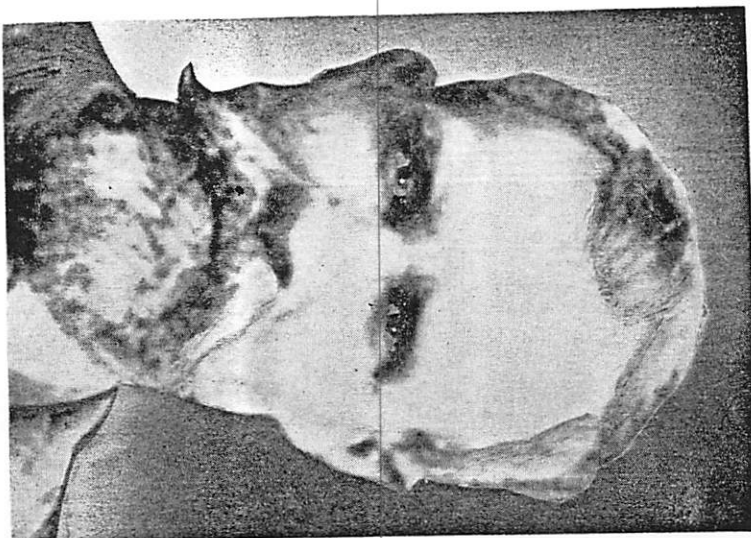
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Joseph S. McDonald

"UNDER WASATCH SKIES"

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